

OPINION SUMMARY
MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

DIVISION TWO

STATE OF MISSOURI,)	No. ED101027
)	
Respondent,)	Appeal from the City of St. Louis
)	Circuit Court
vs.)	
)	Honorable John J. Riley
WILLIE RANDLE,)	
)	Filed: March 10, 2015
Appellant.)	

Willie Randle (Defendant) appeals the trial court's judgment entered on his convictions following a bench trial for first-degree tampering with a motor vehicle, resisting a lawful stop, and first-degree endangering the welfare of a child. On appeal, Defendant challenges the sufficiency of the evidence to support his felony convictions.

AFFIRMED.

Division II Holds:

- 1) The trial court did not err in finding there was sufficient evidence to support Defendant's first-degree tampering conviction because the evidence showed that Defendant operated the recently stolen vehicle knowing that he did not have the owner's consent, Defendant had exclusive possession of the stolen vehicle, and Defendant fled from police while driving the vehicle.
- 2) The trial court did not err in finding there was sufficient evidence to support Defendant's conviction for resisting a lawful stop because the evidence showed that Defendant fled from police officers who were attempting to make a lawful stop, Defendant knew or reasonably should have known the officers were attempting to make a lawful stop, and Defendant resisted by fleeing from the officers. In addition, Defendant fled from the police in such a manner that created a substantial risk of harm to others.
- 3) The trial court did not err in finding there was sufficient evidence to support Defendant's conviction for first-degree endangering the welfare of a child because the evidence established that Defendant led the police on a high-speed car chase while driving erratically, committing numerous traffic violations, and nearly colliding with another vehicle while his young son was a passenger in the car.

Opinion by: Philip M. Hess, J.
Sherri B. Sullivan, P.J. and Mary K. Hoff, J. concur.

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